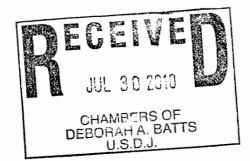
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Re: In re J. Ezra Merkin and BDO Seidman Securities Litigation, C.A. No. 08-Civ-10922

Dear Judge Batts:

We represent Defendants J. Ezra Merkin and Gabriel Capital Corporation (collectively "Defendants") in the above-captioned matter. We write, with the consent of Plaintiffs' counsel to seek an extension of the page limits for briefing of Defendants' motion to dismiss the Third Amended Complaint, which motion is to be filed on August 2, 2010. Specifically, pursuant to Rule II(C) of Your Honor's individual practices, we request the Court's approval for (i) Defendants to file a brief in support of their motion to dismiss of not more than 35 pages; (ii) Plaintiffs to file an opposition brief to Defendants' motion of not more than 35 pages; and (iii) Defendants to file a reply brief of not more than 15 pages. ENDORSED

Respectfully submitted,

Neil A. Steiner

cc:

All Counsel of Record (via email)

SO ORDERED

DEBORAHA, BATTS UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE